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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

**Shigeru TSUKIMURA**

Application No. 09/450,584

Filed: November 30, 1999

For: IMAGE PROCESSING DEVICE AND  
IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD

) Confirmation No.: 7883

) Group Art Unit: 2622

) Examiner: Joseph R. Pokrzywa

) **Mail Stop RCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
**Mail Stop RCE**  
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the  
above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Previously submitted:

Please consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously  
filed on February 23, 2006. (Any un-entered amendment(s) referred to  
above will be entered).

Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously  
filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

Other \_\_\_\_\_.

Enclosed:

Amendment/Reply

Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

Information Disclosure Statement with Form 1449 citing five (5)  
references

Copy of Office Action dated February 21, 2006 issued by the Japanese  
Patent Office

## 2. Miscellaneous

Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

Other \_\_\_\_\_.

## 3. Fees Calculation

## (a) RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

\$790.00

\$395.00 (for small entity)

## (b) Extension of Time

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below.

<u>Total Months Requested</u>	<u>Fee for Extension</u>	<u>[Fee for Small Entity]</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 450.00	\$225.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 1,020.00	\$510.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$ 1,590.00	\$795.00

An extension fee for one month has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$120.00 is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension of time fee due with this request: \$900.00 (\$1020.00-\$120.00).

(c) Other \_\_\_\_\_.

**The total fee for this submission: \$ 1690.00.**

4. Fee Payment

Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ filing fee is enclosed.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge **\$1690.00** (\$900.00 for the three months extension of time fee and \$790.00 for the RCE filing fee due) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

5. Additional papers enclosed:

Preliminary Amendment

Declaration of Biological Deposit

Others

Respectfully submitted,

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